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OCB USIA Assume forthcoming study Communist takeover Eastern European
CIA countries has same purpose previous study Baltic States viz.
OSD as political and psychological war weapon directed at Communist
regimes. We trust every detail planning program will bear that
objective in mind lest through accent on publicity objective
inadvertently be jeopardized. Present plan to centralize opera-
tions Munich where public hearings would be held appears to us
to run unnecessary risk playing into hands local and special
interest groups to detriment committee's main objective.

Munich is headquarters major US propaganda instruments concerned
exclusively with objective overthrowing or as minimum creating
disaffection within Soviet Union and satellites. All operate
within framework US policy. Radio Free Europe as result size
and nature operations is in particularly sensitive position.
Munich also center virtually every East European refugee organ,
many of which have special interests in no way identified with
security or interests of US. Such organs frequently lose sight
objective combat communism in pursuit own interest. RFE right
now under new and heavy attack especially by Sudeten Deutsche
expellees and Slovak separatists. Present campaign touched off
by recent interrogation Ripka by Jenner Committee. Hearing on
Czechoslovakia and Poland if held Munich almost sure raise issues
that would provide these factions ammunition they seek against
RFE/NCFE. They will be knocking at committee's door and trying
influence it for purpose of capitalizing publicity-wise their
own organs. Existing schisms among emigre groups will sharpen,
thus hindering possibilities settling many these conflicts which
only possible by quiet patient effort along lines pursued past
few years.

In past Bonn Government has been able restrain expellee-refugee
pressures on RFE, but publicity and new pressures alleging RFE
contrary German interests could weaken Bonn's defense of RFE
and reopen question RFE's freedom from German influence and

State Dept. review completed

even question

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even question operations German soil. This would inevitably jeopardize operations other two stations, Radio Liberation and VOA, one private other official, but both furthering US cause.

Department no (repeat no) doubt aware possibilities public hearings Germany will examine effect US policy decisions on Communist takeover Eastern Europe. For example:

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